

NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

**Proposal to Clean up Contaminants in Soil
Whittaker-Bermite Facility
22116 West Soledad Canyon Road
Santa Clarita, CA 92121**



Para información en español por favor comuníquese con Leticia Hernández al número (714) 484-5488.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
October 4, 2004 through November 17, 2004

PUBLIC MEETING

6:00 p.m. October 28, 2004
City of Santa Clarita
23920 Valencia Boulevard
Santa Clarita, California 91355

This is the second public notice requesting public comment on the proposal to clean up chemicals in soil at Operable Unit 1 (OU1) located along the eastern portion of the Whittaker-Bermite site. The main contaminants of concern are perchlorate and volatile organic compounds (VOCs). Perchlorate and VOCs are chemicals associated with the manufacturing and testing of fireworks, dynamite, oil field explosives, munitions, rocket propellants and missile motors. Our agency, the California Department of Toxic Substances Control (DTSC), is overseeing the investigation and cleanup of this property. Comments on the cleanup proposal called a Draft Remedial Action Plan (RAP) have been documented during the first public comment period. However, a second public comment period is being undertaken due to the fact that the initial California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) Negative Declaration has been changed to a Mitigated Negative Declaration and the Draft Remedial Design Plan will be made available for public review and comment.

HOW TO SUBMIT YOUR COMMENTS: We are interested in your comments and encourage your participation. In addition to the comment period, we are holding a public meeting to give you more information, answer questions, and take oral and written comments. The meeting will be held at 6:00 pm on October 28, 2004 at Santa Clarita City Hall, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita. During the comment period, written comments on the Draft Remedial Design and Mitigated Negative Declaration must be delivered or emailed no later than November 17, 2004 to Mr. Jose Diaz, DTSC Project Manager, 1011 North Grandview Avenue, Glendale, CA 91201, email jdiaz@dtsc.ca.gov.

WHERE TO FIND THE DRAFT REMEDIAL DESIGN AND MITIGATED NEGATIVE DECLARATION DOCUMENTS:

These documents, along with all the reports related to this project, are available at the following locations:

DTSC Office, 1011 North Grandview Avenue, Glendale CA 91201. Contact: (818) 551-2171

City of Santa Clarita Planning Department, 23920 Valencia Boulevard, Santa Clarita. Contact: (661) 259-2489;

City of Santa Clarita Public Library – Valencia Branch, 23743 W. Magic Mountain Parkway, Santa Clarita.
Contact: (661) 259-8942;

City of Santa Clarita Public Library – Canyon County Branch, 18601 Soledad Canyon Road, Santa Clarita.
Contact: (661) 251-2720.

WHO TO CONTACT FOR MORE INFORMATION:

If you have any questions or wish to discuss the project, please contact Mr. Jose Diaz, DTSC Project Manager, at (818) 551-2171, email jdiaz@dtsc.ca.gov, or Mr. Tim Chauvel, DTSC Public Participation Specialist, at (714) 484-5487, email tchauvel@dtsc.ca.gov.

Notice to the Hearing Impaired:

You can obtain additional information by using the California State Relay Service at 1-888-877-5378 (TDD). Ask them to contact Mr. Jose Diaz at (818) 551-2171.

Meeting Accessibility

For information on accessibility and to request a reasonable accommodation at the public meeting, please call Tim Chauvel at least one week in advance of the meeting.

For more information about DTSC and Whittaker-Bermite, please visit the following websites: www.dtsc.ca.gov, and www.whittaker-bermite.com.